



Playing in Our Monday BBO Games

MONDAY BBO GAMES

You can begin playing in the Monday BBO Games right now!

1. You need an ACBL Member ID

If you have ever played in a REAL BBO Game, your ACBL number IS in our Database.

If you are not sure we have your ACBL Member Number, ASK!

You cannot play in a BBO Online Game without a valid ACBL Number.

2. You need a Partner

I can try to help with this. I cannot guarantee Partners. Not like in our Lab Games or Shark sessions.

If you have a Partner already, Great!

If you do not, tell me. I'm trying my best to put players together.

Can you use the Partnership Desk?

Yes...but you need to be a little careful.

Some other players will invite you to play with them and the invitation will say:

"You will PAY for ME"

You DON'T want to play with those people!

You want to find someone from class. I will try to help

Start to build a list of people from class that you have already enjoyed playing with.

This will help you build a list of potential partners.

3. You Need a Convention Card With Your Partner.

BBO Games require that you and Partner have a Convention Card in common.

A Convention Card is a specific document that identifies the agreements you and Partner have.

For example, a Convention Card would list that you two play Stayman or Jacoby.

Now, here's the easy part of this: I can just drop a Convention Card into YOUR BBO account.

It will list ME as your Partner.

You will need to do one more step to assign it to your Partner before you and Partner register for a Game.

Yes, you will need to know how to assign it to Partner.

But I can give you those instructions.

It won't take long for you to do.

If you do not already have a Convention Card in your BBO Account, you'll need to ask for my help.



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4. Monday Games:

Game is called: **Alliance Lt Blue 200 mp**

Times: Monday Morning 10am – 12 noon

Monday Evening 7pm – 9pm

You MUST stay the entire time. There is no practical BBO Game.

If you cannot stay the entire time, don't play.

If you are someplace where your WiFi is iffy that day, don't play.

Don't leave other players without a table at which to play.

If you drop out of the Game before it finishes, Opponents have no one to play with.

Are there other BBO Games in which you can play?

Actually, yes. You can consider any Afternoon 1pm Alliance Lt Blue 200 mps game.

You can consider a 300 mps game on any other morning at 10am.

BUT, the competition is stronger.



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5. Register For The Game With Partner

This works exactly the way our BBO Lab Games work.

STRONGEST SUGGESTION: PLEASE register in the first hour Registration is open.

*Monday Morning Registration opens at 8am. (2 hours before Game)
Technically, you can Register with Partner up to 9:55am*

*However, if you wait until 9:30am , 9:45am, 9:55am,
and you have a problem, I cannot help you.*

I'm already up to my neck getting things set up for my 10am class.

*If you attempt to register between 8am and 9am and have a problem.
then I can try to help.*

*Monday Evening Registration opens at 5pm (2 hours before Game)
Technically, you can Register with Partner up to 6:55pm*

*However, if you wait until 6:30pm, 6:45pm, 6:55pm
and you have a problem, I cannot help you.*

I'm already up to my neck getting things set up for my 10am class.

*If you attempt to register between 8am and 9am and have a problem.
then I can try to help.*

Use the usual Invitor / Invitee procedure:

Agree on a time when you will both log into BBO.

Invitee sits on BBO Home Page

Invitor chooses
COMPETITIVE
ALL TOURNAMENTS

Type ALLIANCE in the Search field at top center (instead of our usual ESSEX)

CAREFULLY choose the correct Alliance Game!
There will be more than one.

You want the Lt Blue 200 mps Game.

Click in the middle of that Game line and move on to the Registration screen.

Enter Partner's BBO ID on the line and INVITE

Invitee will see an Invitation. Invitee should ACCEPT.



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6. Double Check Your Registration

Invitor should immediately see the Game listing again: Alliance Lt Blue 200 mps

*This line should be in a different color, usually Yellow
This tells you that you are Registered.*

Invitee should check as well.

*Invitee chooses COMPETITIVE, ALL TOURNAMENTS.,
Types ALLIANCE on the SEARCH Line*

*The listing will narrow to just the Alliance Games
You should see one of the listings in a different color, usually Yellow*

CHECK that the yellow line IS the 200 mps Game.

7. Log Out Of BBO But Return To BBO 5 Minutes Before Game Starts

*Be very careful that your device stays AWAKE in the time you log back into BBO and
the time the Game starts*

See the short video at our website explaining how to make sure your Device stays awake.

8. Bid and Play!

At Game Time, the system will place you at a table opposite your partner just like in Lab Games.

- * Introduce yourself to Opponents*
- * Use the CALL DIRECTOR button if something going right at your table:
Someone is not bidding
Someone is not playing
Someone suddenly appears in Red
(usually they got bumped from Game – usually WiFi problems)*
- * Do NOT Call Director if you made the wrong bid or played the wrong card.
Director cannot help you.
You cannot tell the table this information!
Just proceed the best you can.*



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9. Post-Game!

You Did It!

You can go back to BBO or to our website to

- * Check Your Total Score*
- * Check Your Auctions on Individual Boards*
- * Compare Your Outcomes on Each Board to Every Other Pair on Any Board*
- * Replay Any Hand*

*You can view the Bidding Recap Video on Tuesday Morning or Tuesday Evening
It takes 24 hours to process each video after the game.*

How to Find this Recap Video for Monday Morning and Monday Evening Games:

a. You go to our You Tube location to do this:

Search for ESSEX BRIDGE ACADEMY YOU TUBE

b. Use This Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOTzsMmB1wCiLScid2aG6Ag?app=desktop>

c. Go to our website at essexbridgecenter.com and find the link to the Monday Videos on our webpage